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MEDIA ADVISORY

PERJURY ARREST

Today, the San Antonio Police Department arrested Abelardo Valdez, DOB: 12-19-86, on an outstanding arrest warrant for Perjury. The arrest warrant is based on his false sworn statements made to police about a shooting where he implicated a suspect. The suspect was subsequently arrested, placed in jail then released due to insufficient evidence.

Valdez is the father of 9-month-old Jacob Valdez, who was injured in a shooting that occurred on 8-15-05 in the 5900 block of Fairshire.

In sworn statements and interviews conducted after the shooting, Valdez implicated a man in the shooting and an arrest warrant was obtained based on Valdez' sworn statements. This man was then arrested and placed in the Bexar County Jail.

After the arrest was made, Valdez recanted his story and the man was subsequently released from jail due to insufficient evidence.

It is believed that Valdez made the sworn statements with the intent to deceive and with the knowledge of the statement's meaning, made two false statements in violation of Texas Penal Code for Perjury.

The investigation into the shooting is continuing and anyone with information is urged to call the SAPD's Homicide Unit at 207-7635.

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